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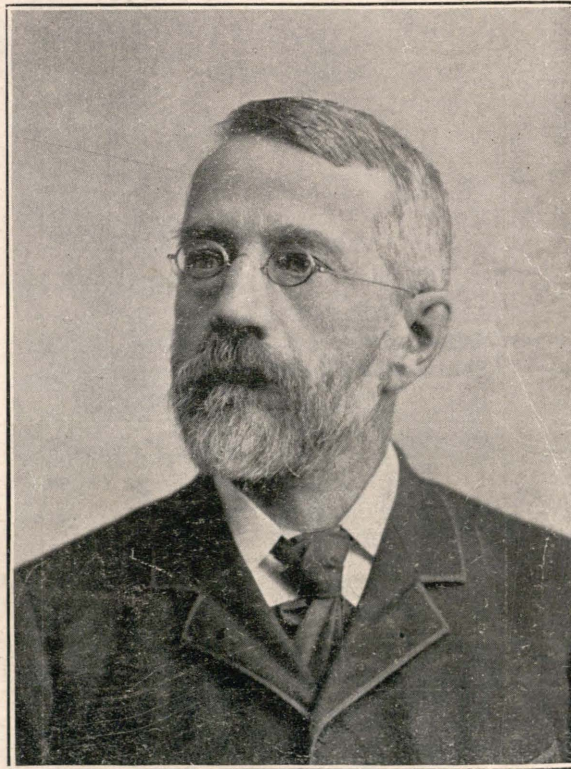
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ORIGIN AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE KINDERGARTEN.

MRS. N. L. AGNEW.

A few years ago, the early education of the child was given very little attention. He was fed, clothed, loved, of course, (for since the beginning of the world, mothers have loved their children,) punished, if, in the estimation of parents or elders he was naughty. If the parents were religious, the child was frightened into obedience by being told that there was an awful Hell of fire and brimstone, where his soul would suffer for all eternity if he offended the God who made him. God was not pictured to the childish fancy as the loving, merciful, all-wise and beneficent Father, but the stern, inexorable judge whose judgments were not even tempered with mercy.

At the age of six, the child was sent to school, where the first thing to be done was to learn the alphabet by rote, or otherwise, as the teacher saw fit. Then a spelling book was put into his hands and he was taught how to spell first, words of one, then two, then three syllables, and so on to words of five and six syllables before beginning to read. He must learn to read well before beginning to write. He must write well before beginning the study of arithmetic. Is it any wonder that under such a regime, many pupils got no farther than the spelling book?

In this system of education, the law of love did not govern; corporal punishment was the rule. Pupils obeyed more from fear than from love for the teacher. A boy who could not be governed in this way was considered incorrigible. It was no uncommon thing for a boy—who perhaps had a big heart, if any one had tried to reach it—to wear two suits of clothing to school as a means of protection from the punishment that he was sure to receive. If you visit our schools now, you will find, (or ought to find) a very different state of affairs. Perhaps you ask, "Whence this change?" In order to have a clear understanding of this change, it is necessary to go back more than one hundred years to the time of Rousseau.

The Emile of Rousseau, published in 1762, has had more influence on the education of modern times than any other book ever published. Like all pioneer reformers, Rousseau permitted his zeal to overstep his judgment. This was necessary, as it always takes something that is startling and radical to awaken people from the torpor of custom and prejudice. The burthen of Rousseau's message was nature, such a nature as never did and never will exist, but still a name for an ideal worthy of our struggles. He revolted against the false civilization by which he was surrounded; he was penetrated with sorrow at the shams of government and of society; at the misery of the poor and the heartlessness of the rich. His teaching is that the child should be a pupil of nature. He lays great stress on the early education. The first year of life is, in every respect, the most important. Nature must be closely followed. The child's tears are petitions which should be granted. The naughtiness of children comes from weakness; make him strong and he will be good. Children's destructiveness is a form of activity. Do not be too anxious to make children talk; be satisfied with a small vocabulary. Lay aside padded cabs and baby jumpers. Let children learn to walk by learning that it hurts them to fall. Do not insist so much on the duty of obedience as on the necessity of submission to natural laws. Do not argue too much with children. Educate the heart to wish for right actions. Before all things, study nature. The chief moral principle is, do no harm. The child is to be taught by the real things of life, by observation and experience. At the age of twelve, he is scarcely able to know what a book is. To be able to read at fifteen, is quite sufficient. We must first make him a man and that chiefly by athletic exercises. Educate his sight to count, measure and to weigh accurately. Teach him to draw. Tune his ear to time and harmony. Give him simple food, but let him eat as much as he likes. Thus, at twelve, he is a real child of nature. His carriage and bearing are fair and confident, his nature open and candid; his speech simple and to the point; his ideas few, but clear; he knows nothing from book learning, much by experience. He has read deeply in the book of nature. His mind is not on his tongue, but in his head. He speaks only one language, but he knows what he is saying and can do what he cannot describe. He understands nothing of duty and obedience, but he will do what you ask him and expect a similar service from you in return. From twelve to fifteen, he is to be taught and practice handicraft. Half the value of education is to waste time wisely and tide over dangerous years until the character is formed and the body perfectly developed and the individual able to withstand temptation.

At the age of fifteen, a new epoch begins. The pas-

sions are awakened; the care of the teacher should now redouble; he should never leave the helm. The child having learned to love himself and those immediately about him, begins to love his kind. Now is the time to teach him history; the machinery of society; the world as it is and ought to be. Still, useless and burdensome knowledge is to be avoided. Between this age and manhood, he learns all that he needs to know.

As will be readily seen, these theories of Rousseau were not practical, and perhaps the question will be asked, "What was the immediate effect?" The immediate effect was the most sweeping change in the methods of education. Children were either clothed very simply, or permitted to go about naked, and to grow up with no learning, except a knowledge of nature and of Plutarch. How absurd!! we exclaim. True, it is absurd, and yet, it is the teaching of Rousseau that today enables Stanley Hall to stand before a mixed audience of ten thousand people and deliver a lecture on adolescence. It is the teaching of Rousseau that enables Professor Sanford Bell to stand before a mixed audience in Valparaiso and lecture upon the same subject. It is the teaching of Rousseau that gives us a Kindergarten as a part of our public school system. It required more conservative men to give practical expression to the theories of Rousseau. A school was founded by Basedow, a friend of Goethe at Dessau, in which the little ones played at the word of command. They were taught to stand or march like soldiers, open or close their eyes, look about them, crow like cocks or mew like cats, at command of the teacher. They also had hiding games. Some one would write a name and hide it from the children. The children must guess this name.

In our own Kindergarten, we have flying like birds and cooing like doves. In the hiding game, an object is hidden, and the children search for it.

The philosopher Kant found much to praise in the school of Basedow, and spoke of its influence as one of the best hopes of the future. We who see the practical work of the system in this, the future to which he referred, know how nearly right he was. In a future article, I will give Pestalozzi's and Froebel's theories and something of our own Kindergarten.

WASHINGTON THE HERO.

Washington Day was observed by the Law Department on Tuesday evening, February 22. By eight o'clock the large Auditorium was well filled with an eager crowd anxiously awaiting the words of patriotic praise to fall from the lips of the class orators. At 8:15 Miss Ward played the march while the conspicuous persons of the evening marched upon the stage. Mr. Turner, President of the Senior class, delivered the opening address. He was followed by Mrs. Beach who so enraptured her hearers with her recognized musical ability that she was heartily encored. She was followed by the first orator of the evening, G. H. Stein of the Junior class. Mr. Stein hails from Southern Illinois, the land noted for its orators; and certainly this

son of "Egypt" again demonstrated the superiority of Illinois orators in an eloquent oration which did honor to his class and above all to himself. Mr. Stein seemed to enter into the very spirit of the patriotism of Washington, and couching the deeds of the great general and statesman in language of the best, he had ample opportunity to display his elocutionary ability before an enthusiastic and appreciative audience. He took them back in imagination to the confines of Virginia. They saw the sturdy youth of over a century ago engaged in the preliminary struggles which were destined to result in making him the honored of the world. He told them of Washington's perilous journey to interview the French commander on the Cana-



MR. G. H. STEIN.

dian Frontier. How he stole through the snow-covered forest without a path to guide his foot-steps; of the mis-spined bullet from the rifle of a treacherous Indian; the struggle for life in the ice-filled river and at last the safe return. The battles of Princeton, Germantown, Monmouth and Yorktown, were fought again. The thunder of artillery, roar of musketry and the wild war-whoop of the Indians were again heard "reverberating among the lofty hills and along the green valleys."

Mr. Stein grew more eloquent and his language more beautiful the farther he advanced, and when his rhetorical conclusion was followed by the following patriotic verses the deep prevailing stillness was broken by applause which fairly shook the building.

"Hail, patriot chief, all hail! Historic Fame
In purest gold hath traced thy glorious name!
Earth has Niagara, the sky its sun,
And proud mankind its only Washington."

"He lives, ever lives, in the hearts of the free,
The wing of his fame spread across the broad sea;
He lives where the banner of Freedom's unfurled;
The pride of his country, the wreath of the world!"

Mr. Sparks of the Senior class next spoke as follows ; in part he said

"Breathes there a man with soul so dead who never to himself hath said 'this is my own, my native land ?'"

After describing the love of native land that is inherent in every human being he said

"And no one can be more justly proud of their country than they over whom forever floats that symbol of liberty, the banner of the stars-

Columbia still is young,
But all her aims are high
And she will brightly keep
Her banner in the sky.

"* * * * But to build up a nation until she takes her place in the highest rank of the nations of the world require that the individuals who hold her destiny in their hands should be of sterling worth, and that their characters should be pure and spotless. * * * * When this old Mother earth of ours raised her snow-covered face to kiss the first rays of the morning sun on February 22, 1732, she had nestled on her bosom in Westmoreland Co., Va., a babe that was in time to become such a man that the words might well apply 'His life was gentle and the elements so mixed in him that Nature might stand up and say to all the world this was a man.'"

After reviewing his life until 1782 when he refused the crown offered him the speaker said in part,

"But with almost Divine perception he foresaw the ruin that would follow the forming of a kingdom here * * * * and he willingly threw away a kingly crown, but did receive then, and will forever, the honest love and admiration of a whole nation that knows no equal, and without doubt he did receive a far brighter crown ; aye, a crown of glory when he took his place in that world without end.

"How shall we rank thee on Glory's page ;
Thou more than soldier, and just less than sage !
All thou hast been reflects less fame on thee,
For less than what thou hast foreborne to be."

"* * * * But not alone has he bequeathed to us the deeds done in the body, for all generations descending from such a source add inestimably to the value of our country."

He then illustrated fully how the sire transmitted to the son his character, habits, etc.

"It is our duty to keep pure the virtues and noble patriotism bequeathed to us that we in turn may transmit to posterity in an undefiled state the true principles upon which our glorious nation has been built."

He said in closing

"He lived quietly at his home at Mt. Vernon until on Dec. 14, 1799 the Dread Reaper called him from this world of trials and temptations into that land of perfect rest where, no doubt, the brightest diadem ever awarded a human soul was bestowed on the Father of our country, George Washington."

Prof. A. L. Jones concluded the program with appropriate remarks.

THE VALPARAISO READING CLUBS.

The Arden Reading Club, named in honor of Shakespeare's mother, meets regularly on Thursday evenings of each week at the home of Miss Mantie Baldwin. At present the members are reading "Hamlet."

* * *

The Shakespeare Association met at the residence of Superintendent Wood on Monday night, instead of Tuesday night, the regular time for assembling. The work of the club during the winter, the study of three plays; *As you Like it*, *Richard III*, and *Troilus and Cressida*. At this meeting the work on the last named play was completed, and the next to be taken up is *Macbeth*.

The exercises of the evening were very interesting. Miss Benney read a critical review of the play. She had carefully prepared, and her paper was well received.

After a discussion of the various topics previously assigned, Mr. Pinney presented an arithmetical calculation of the number slain in the Trojan war, based on the state-

ment of Diomedes. In speaking of the war, and of Helen its cause, he says:

"For every false drop in her bawdy veins
A Grecian's life hath sunk; for every scruple
Of her contaminated carrion weight,
A Trojan hath been slain."

While it is true that "figures will not lie," yet they can be made to laugh. His calculations were the source of a great deal of amusement.

The next regular meeting of the Association will be at the residence of Mr. Pinney, on the evening of March 8.

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The Club that is known as the Harriet Beecher Stowe Reading Circle was organized in February, 1896, at the home of Mrs. N. L. Agnew, under the name of the Ladies' Reading Circle.

The first work of the Club was a study of the Prince of India in connection with the history and geography of the country described. In June, 1896, the present name was adopted in honor of a noble type of womanhood.

In January, 1896, Mrs. Agnew and Mrs. A. C. Smith suggested the idea of organizing a literary club, to several of their friends who met at an afternoon reception. Within ten days, a full-fledged society was in existence, with officers, committees and other appurtenances.

The name, Reading Circle, is misleading. Reading from books or magazines is not permitted. All reports must be in the form of prepared papers or talks.

After completing the Prince of India, the program was made out for a year from September to June inclusive, and included American history, literature and the leading questions of the day, social and political. The first part of the program for 1897-98 is devoted to Italy, the second to England, the last to miscellaneous subjects. The required reading includes thirteen books. The penalty for not reading the books is fixed by constitution, at twenty-five cents. The books are *Romola*, *Aurora Leigh*, *Paracelsus*, *Christmas Stories*, *In Memoriam*, *Idyls of the King*, *Shirley*, *Lalla Rookh*, *Lady of the Lake*, *Rob Roy*, and *Selections from Burns*.

Meetings are held each week at homes of the members in alphabetical order. Five topics are arranged besides quotations, current events and conversations on some stated subject.

The club is limited to twenty-five members and there is rarely a vacancy. Fines are imposed (and promptly paid) for non-fulfillment of duty and tardiness. The officers are elected by ballot and constitute an executive and program committee. There is also an entertainment committee of five members whose duty it is to provide entertainment in the way of toasts, recitations, etc., at all socials given by the Club.

The Club was affiliated with the Indiana Union of Literary Clubs in May, 1897. The members at present are:

Mrs. Kate L. Agnew.	Miss Mabel Arnold.
Mrs. Margaret Beer.	Mrs. Grace Bell.
Mrs. Eva M. Bondy.	Mrs. Neva Axe Brown.
Mrs. Alla Bryant.	Mrs. Elizabeth Cole.
Mrs. Frelove Elam.	Mrs. Eva Finney.
Mrs. Anna Fleming.	Mrs. Estella Gardner.
Mrs. Emma Haste.	Mrs. Myra Heard.
Mrs. Maude Johnston.	Mrs. Mary Long.
Mrs. Louise Letherman.	Mrs. Desdamona McConahy.
Mrs. Finette M. Pinney.	Mrs. Lola Smith.
Mrs. Sabille Sweet.	Mrs. Lucia Upthegrove.
Mrs. Alice Windle.	Mrs. Kate Windle.
Mrs. Elma Wood.	

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Vice-Presidents, { Mrs. J. W. Elam,
Mrs. William Johnston
Secretary, Mrs. Grace Woodhull Bell.
Treasurer, Miss Mabel Arnold.

HISTORY OF THE CHICAGO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF THE NORTHERN INDIANA NORMAL SCHOOL.

BY LILLIAN ARABA COX.

It was during the memorable year of 1893, when the representative portions of the world were participating in expressions of friendship and fraternalism, that Dr. B. J. Cigrand of this city, conceived the idea that of the great number of students of the Valparaiso Normal residing within the vicinity of Chicago, there might be a sufficient number assembled to form a deserving Alumni Association, for the purpose of renewing old college acquaintances, strengthening the ties that bind students together, and thus creating a bond of fellowship which would reflect honor upon the Institution which, in days long past had conferred so many honors upon her former students. This idea resulted in a correspondence between Dr. Cigrand and Prof. H. B. Brown, which describes fully the origin of the Chicago Alumni Association of the Northern Indiana Normal School. The invitations which were sent out included the letters, and were as follows:

CHICAGO, ILL., JAN. 24, 1894.

"MY DEAR.....

"It is the desire of many of the former students of the Northern Indiana Normal School, to establish an "Alumni Association" of that institution of learning. The following correspondence between Prof. H. B. Brown and myself clearly indicates the spirit of the projected fraternity:—

CHICAGO, ILL., MARCH 22, 1893.

PROF. H. B. BROWN, VALPARAISO, IND.,

DEAR FRIEND: Of late several gentlemen, formerly students of the Normal, have called at my office, and in the course of our retrospective conversation, I proposed that Chicago contained a sufficient number of Normalites to institute a large and deserving ALUMNI SOCIETY, of the Northern Indiana Normal School. The members would meet, say twice a year, and enjoy an interesting program of exercises—to be prepared and conducted by former students of the N. I. N. S.—thus it would serve not only as a reminder of the times while at the Alma Mater, but would be pleasant and profitable.

"It would bring forth many latent qualities and also recharge our minds with the happy thought, "of propagating and cherishing the interests of the Northern Indiana Normal School."

"Chicago has many Alumni Societies and I dare say—for I judge from newspaper and member accounts—the individuals composing them have an enjoyable time. Among those prosperous societies I mention the Harvard, Yale, Ann Arbor, Madison University and Johns Hopkins.

"I would have begun the inaugural work, but before venturing I desire to hear from you, since we must have the co-operation of the Normal.

"Hoping to receive a letter such, as may be shown to contain acknowledged interest in the work, I am with my regards,

Very Sincerely,

B. J. CIGRAND.

VALPARAISO, IND., MARCH 22, 1893.

B. J. CIGRAND, D. D. S.,

MY DEAR FRIEND:

"Your very kind letter just received. I thank you for your continued interest in the welfare of the Normal and for your desire to strengthen the ties that bind our students together wherever they may be. I assure you you have my co-operation, and that of the School, in the enterprise which you suggest.

"I had not thought of anything of this kind, but I believe it will result in much good. A large number of our students are now in the City, and many in the adjoining towns would be glad to become members of the association if you so desire it. It would be the means of keeping fresh in mind the events that transpired during attendance here.

"I shall be glad to render any assistance in my power. Call on me for any aid. I venture the statement that if such an organization should be affected it would not be long before the meetings of the Alumni of the Normal would be equal, if not surpass, those of any other school.

"Let me hear from you. With best wishes I am,

Sincerely your friend,

H. B. BROWN.

Trusting this notice may solicit your valued consideration I take pleasure in earnestly requesting your presence at the first meeting to be held at the Grand Pacific Club Room —, on Monday evening, February —, 1894

Very Sincerely, DR. B. J. CIGRAND."

Having received the hearty co-operation of the Normal, Dr. Cigrand vigilantly prosecuted the work of searching for the names and addresses of the former students doing business in Cook County, and within the brief period of a few months, through the aid of the Faculty and friends, located upwards of two hundred of the Alumni, and mailed the above invitation, calling them to begin the initiative in organizing the Chicago Alumni.

Concerning the first meeting of the Society, "The Normal Student" of March 3rd, 1894, speaks as follows:

"THE N. I. N. S. ALUMNI SOCIETY OF CHICAGO."

"It was a happy assemblage of former Normal students which met at the Grand Pacific Hotel in Chicago last Saturday evening. The plan for an organization of this kind met with popular favor among old students, as was evidenced by the very large number present. Some of those present graduated from school as early as 1875. Almost every class from that time to '93 was represented.

"After a limited time devoted to hand shaking, greetings and informal merry-making, the meeting was called to order for business, and Dr. Cigrand proceeded briefly to explain the object of the anticipated organization. Then with that spirit and business tact so characteristic of our ex-students they began the work before them. W. R. Payne, F. K. Blake and Dr. P. J. Cigrand, were appointed as a committee on Constitution. While a report was being prepared by this committee, talks were made by Prof. J. N.

Roe, E. L. Loomis and C. H. Coates, each of whom spoke in laudable terms of the movement and predicted for it a career of usefulness and prosperity. Prof. Roe's talk was full of suggestive hints and timely counsel.

"The work of adopting a constitution next engaged their attention. Each section was acted upon separately, and it was not until after much deliberation and discussion that the instrument was approved. Having disposed of this business, a permanent organization was effected with the following officers and committees:

"Dr. B. J. Cigrand, President; E. L. Loomis, Vice-President; Miss Florence Marble, Secretary; Miss Emile Avery, Assistant Secretary; Dr. J. B. Dicus, Treasurer; Miss Orra C. Paine, Librarian; F. K. Blake, C. H. Coats and Dr. P. J. Cigrand, Executive Committee; Ning Ely, J. T. Wilson and W. R. Payne, Trustees; Prof. H. H. Shepard, Mayor Green and Michael Meili, Committee on By-Laws.

"On motion of Wm. R. Payne Profs. H. B. Brown, O. P. Kinsey and the entire faculty were unanimously elected honorary members of the society, after which the following resolution was approved:

"RESOLVED,—That the Northern Indiana Normal School Alumni Society of Chicago send greetings to Prof. H. B. Brown and all those connected with the College, and authorize Prof. J. N. Roe to convey this resolution to Prof. Brown with our best wishes.

"The Alumni Society starts out with a large membership composed of just the proper material to insure a successful organization. Hosts of friends throughout the country will admire the enterprise and thrift exemplified by these former students and join with us in wishing the organization a long, prosperous and useful existence.

"It is estimated that there are not less than 1,000 former students in and near Chicago who should become members of the Alumni Society.

"Thus ended the first meeting of the society. It was an auspicious opening. Every one present seemed to enter into the work with commendable spirit and with a degree of enthusiastic determination that presages a successful and prosperous organization."

"Dr. B. J. Cigrand, president of the society, was born Oct. 1st, 1866, at Fredonia, Wisconsin. His early education was received from the public schools, and after completing his course he spent some time surveying. In the fall of 1882 he came here to attend the Normal. He entered the teachers' course and for several years divided his time between attending the Normal, and teaching school in Wisconsin. "B. J." as he was familiarly called on College Hill, completed the teachers' course in 1884 and subsequently took up the scientific course, after completing which, he began the study of medicine preparatory to Dental Science, under the tutorship of Prof. W. A. Yohn. In 1885 he left Valpo and went to Chicago, where he matriculated in the Northwestern College of Dental Surgery, Dental Dept. of the Lake Forest University. After spending two years in this institution he merited the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery with high honor, having been the valedictorian at the graduating exercises. Dr. Cigrand has since graduated from the Chicago School of Science and also the Post Graduate School of Dental Prosthesis, having received the degree of Bachelor of Science from the former institution as well as from the N. I. N. S. He enjoys the

reputation of being a prosperous and successful practitioner of dentistry commanding a large practice in our western metropolis. In 1891 he was elected to fill the chair of Professor of Dental Prosthesis in the American College of Dental Surgery, one of the largest Dental Colleges west of the Alleghenies. He is president of the school and serves also in the capacity of Lecturer in its Post Graduate Course. Though his time is well taken up professionally, he still pursues his scientific studies and at present is taking a non-resident course in the Chicago University. He contributes



B. J. CIGRAND, M. S., D. D. S.
(First President of the Chicago Alumni Association,
Northern Indiana Normal School.)

to leading educational and dental journals and has served as editor to the following: *Chicago Argus*; *Home, School and Nation*, and at present *The American Standard*. He has published several books among which are a text-book on Dental Prosthesis (second edition) and "The Story of the Great Seal of the United States" in two volumes containing some 700 original engravings. Societies, too, claim him an active member: six dental, two literary, one patriotic, plus the Masonic and Odd Fellows. It was due to his persistent work during the last eighteen months that the Northern Indiana Normal School Alumni Society of Chicago was effected. Last, but not least, he is married and enjoys the pleasure of being the father of three children, Bernie, Joyce and Elroy."

Since the above was published Dr. Cigrand has been elected Professor of Dental Prosthesis in the Northwestern University; and on January 12, 1898 the Valparaiso Indiana Normal School conferred upon him the honorary degree of "Master of Science."

The "History of the Alumni," which begins in this issue of the College Current, will continue from time to time in each number until the entire proceedings of our Association, together with biographical sketches of the various officials and principal members, shall have been given, up to and including the present administration. Local news items will also appear regularly in this Department, and it is expected that each issue will contain such matter that, if they desire to keep in touch with our school and each other, our members cannot afford, simply for the mere price of a subscription, which is only one dollar a year, to do without it. Sample copies have been sent out for several issues, and we understand are now to be discontinued unless interest is evidenced to the extent of ordering the paper sent to their address.

All former students, whether members or not, are kindly requested to send to this department, for publication, any items of news.

Subscriptions received at this office, No. 728 Chicago Opera House Block, for the College Current, and names promptly sent in for enrollment.

THE COLLEGE CURRENT OFFER.

To the person who procures the most *credits* for the College Current will be given an elegant Mahogany piano worth \$450.00. This offer is good until Aug. 12, 1898. The credits are to be procured in the following manner:

For procuring sale of single copy, one credit.
 For procuring one subscription for one term (10 weeks) 5 credits.
 For " " " " two terms (20 weeks) 15 "
 For " " " " one year (50 weeks) 50 "
 For " " " " two years (100 weeks) 125 credits.
 For " " " " three years (150 weeks) 250 credits.
 For procuring each two dollars worth of advertising, fifty credits.

The cash *must* accompany each order to secure the credits. A record of the credits will be published each issue of the Current until July 16th, 1898 inclusive. The agent who has the highest number of credits when the count is made August 12, '98 will be awarded this elegant piano. For further particulars address THE COLLEGE CURRENT, Valparaiso, Ind.

In the next issue the names and the number of credits received by each will be published.

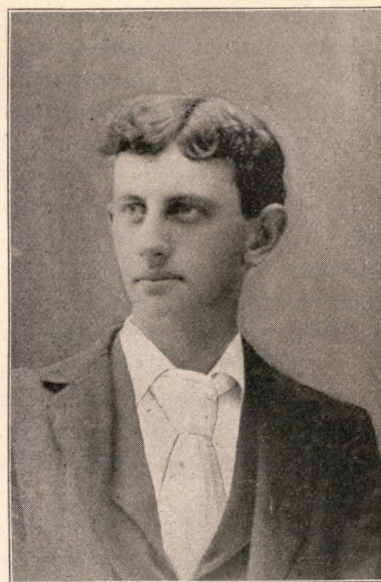
A SAD ACCIDENT.

The lamentable accident whereby Hayes Smart was fatally injured, occurred at 59 College Ave., Sunday evening Feb. 13, at 5:30 o'clock. Mr. Smart with several of his college friends had just finished supper and repaired to one of the boy's rooms for a few moments' social chat. The boys were in a jovial mood, laughing, talking and eating fruit. Mr. Rosenberger picked up a revolver which chanced to be lying on the table, and noticing that Smart was standing, stood up to offer him a chair. The weapon accidentally discharged. The ball striking Mr. Smart in the forehead penetrated the skull and lodged in his brain. The wounded man was at once taken to the Loring Sanitarium where he received the very best medical attention, but it was soon learned that he could not survive as the ball had passed to the back of his brain.

Immediately after the occurrence of the accident Mr. Smart's parents were sent for and they arrived here Tuesday at noon. He showed signs of recognition when his mother spoke to him but he could not speak. He gradually became weaker and died at 3:30 o'clock Thursday.

The remains were taken to his home at Detroit, Ill., for interment. Several of the professors and a large body of students accompanied the body to the station.

Mr. Smart was a young man of estimable character, and his manly ways won for him many warm friends. He was 19 years old and had been a member of the M. E. church since he was 10 years old. His loss is deeply felt by his fellow students and especially is he missed from his accustomed place in the Pharmacy class.



MR. HAYES SMART.

Mr. Smart and Mr. Rosenberger were staunch friends and the latter is heart broken over the sad occurrence.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Pharmacy class of which Mr. Smart was a member:

WHEREAS God in his infinite mercy has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved friend and classmate, Hayes B. Smart. And in view of the loss we feel by the death of our friend and associate, and of the still heavier loss sustained by those who were nearest and dearest to him and

WHEREAS, the Pharmacy Class of the N. I. N. S. feels deeply the loss sustained by the bereaved family, it is but just that fitting recognitions of his many virtues should be had;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that while we bow with humble submission to the will of the most High, we do not the less mourn for our friend who has been taken from us, and in his death this class laments the loss of a member whose utmost endeavors were exerted for its well fare and prosperity; a friend and companion who was dear to us all; a student whose upright and noble life was a standard of emulation to his fellows.

RESOLVED, That it is but just tribute to the memory of the departed to say that in regretting his removal from our midst we mourn for one who was, in every way, worthy of our respect and regard.

RESOLVED, that we sincerely condole with the family of the deceased on the dispensation with which it has pleased Divine Providence to afflict them, and commend them for consolation to Him who orders all things for the best, and whose chastisements are meant in mercy.

RESOLVED, that these resolutions be framed and forwarded to the parents of the deceased and that a copy of the same be sent for publication to the Pike County Republican, and also a copy to the College Current.

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SOCIETIES OF THE N. I. N. S.

CRESCENT SOCIETY.

The Crescent society gave its regular program in Recital Hall Friday eve. the society's hall being too small to accommodate the large audience.

The addresses of the evening were both given by ladies. Miss Mildred Wheelock gave a most excellent and instructive address on "The ability to do." Miss Wheelock believes in the true greatness of man to be found in his capacity for forming ideas, and ability to execute to be consistent with intellect and reason. Mrs. Charlotte Green gave an oration that was full of good thoughts and advice. Her subject was "If the World be Worth the Winning, Think, oh, Think it Worth Enjoying." Mrs. Green's idea conforms with the thought that our lives are more pleasant in trying to accomplish, rather than doing nothing or doing that we should not do, or complaining of shortness of time, yet acting as though there were no end to our days.

A recitation The Guardian Angel by Mr. H. H. Range was full of humor. The very best of music was rendered, both instrumental and vocal. Mr. J. A. Haselwood gave an exercise in Manual of Arms, showing his wonderful tact and skill in the art.

SHAKESPERIAN SOCIETY.

The Lincoln Day banquet by the Shakesperian Society, at the Grand Central Hotel, Feb. 12, 1898, was a decided success in every particular. Nearly 100 guests were seated around the bounteous laden tables, and for an hour discussed the many good things that Manager Killen of the Grand Central had provided.

P. W. Mitchell president of the Shakesperian Society welcomed the guests in appropriate words, and Rev. J. L. Brandt invoked the divine blessing.

Miss Florence Higgins was far more than an ordinary toastmaster in every respect. With appropriate words she opened the exercises, and in a way that is distinctively common to herself, and particularly delightful to all present, she introduced all the speakers of the occasion.

W. L. Wright, eloquently portrayed the career of Abraham Lincoln from childhood in the wilderness of Kentucky to the time when he lay a martyred president, mourned by all the civilized world. He spoke feelingly of his influence on his people and the times with which he was surrounded.

H. E. Corbett, splendidly eulogized the features of the "Emancipation Proclamation," and closed with an appeal to loyal hearts to forget the dissensions of the past and labor for the common good of a great and generous people, recognizing no class but with charity towards all, to move forward to the crowning destiny of the American nation.

The second martyred president of the republic, Jas. A. Garfield was paid fitting tribute by Chas. Waltz who reviewed the distinctive characteristics of his life, and placed him by the side of his great contemporaries in the history of his country.

Hon. N. L. Agnew, drew forceable lessons from his subject, "Good Citizenship." He contrasted the politics of a century ago with today, and declared the nation was never freer from corrupt politicians, than it is today. He paid glowing tribute to the principles that go to make up a good citizen, and closed with an appeal to all to keep ever in mind the welfare of the nation and not to subserve the interests of self to that of the country.

Wendell Phillips, that princely Puritan who crossed the stage of life without looking on either side to catch a reflection of the opinions of the world, was fittingly honored, by J. A. McPhaul.

Miss Minnie Marquart, told the story of the noble women of the Lincoln period. Grouping around the president the names of those heroines of freedoms cause; Stanton, Stowe, Livingston and Barton.

Surrounded by an atmosphere of patriotism, Miss Abbie Freeman sang sweetly the nations famous song, "The Star Spangled Banner."

Judge William Johnston, paid witty tribute to "Our Wives." His address was frequently interrupted by applause, and was particularly appropriate to the occasion. Not many members of the Shakesperian Society, having as yet experienced the delights and sorrows of married life, the Judge's address became at once a chapter in life's experience for them to follow.

Rev. J. L. Brandt and Rev. Dr. S. C. Logan, the latter of Scranton, Penn., spoke briefly in an instructive and interesting manner.

STAR SOCIETY.

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, which prevailed all day and evening, a large audience gathered at Recital Hall on Saturday evening, Feb. 10th, to greet those who appeared on the programme. As was announced the previous Saturday, it was a dialect program, and nothing else in the line of literary work could have commanded

better attention from the audience and appealed stronger to the humorous side of nature.

Spencer Ericson read Longfellow's "Psalm of Life," first in a way as a Norwegian who attempts to study our language would read it, and then followed the literal Norwegian translation of it. J. A. Patterson gave "Saunders McGlashen's Courtship" in the Scotch dialect, and many a youth and bachelor no doubt were reminded of the uncouth way in which love is dealt with. Miss Dot Marquardt's recitation, "Miss Maloney on the Chinese Question" was very charming; Rev. John L. Brandt's recitation, "Der Dutchman und His Veel" was a story of Mrs. Brandt's experience to learn to ride a wheel. It received a general applause; "Mamma's Baby Boy" by Mrs. Minnie Winters gave the audience an idea of the care bestowed upon the southern child; "Old Kentucky Home" by Marie Timmons, but a child, was rendered with much grace; Prof. Haselwood's class in physical culture displayed great athletic skill; The vocal solos by Inez Francisco and Mrs. Roe need no comments; The piano solo by Geo. Smith, and the violin solo by Prof. August Wolf speak for themselves.

The next program at Star Hall, Saturday, Feb. 26.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT.

Personal news pertaining to the music department will be gladly received and published if given to E. D. Schneider.

The Law classes had our best talent at their Washington Day program. Tosti's "Good Bye," as sung by Mrs. Jennie Thatcher Beach was a gem. Mrs. Beach has a very sweet voice and under complete control. She cheerfully responded to an encore.

Miss Anna Ward favored the audience with a pleasing piano solo. Miss Ward is an artist on the pipe organ as well as the piano and it is always a pleasure to hear her.

Mr. James C. Abdill, for many years leading tenor with the late Emma Abbott Opera Co., sang with fine interpretation and feeling. He has a splendid tenor voice and one rarely met with.

The Opera is over and every one is speaking of it in the highest praise. It was a grand success and much credit is due Prof. W. W. Hinshaw, the musical director, and Mr. Abdill, the stage manager. The Operas "Carmen" and "Faust" will be given in the near future.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Personal news pertaining to the laws department, either in regard to the present classes or any former students, will be gladly received and published if given to P. W. Mitchell of the senior class.

Death again has visited us and called from our midst, one, who is not really a member of our class but is more closely associated with us than any other class in school. General Debate, died Saturday February 5, 1898 between the hours of 11 and 12 a. m. of Concordia discors, aged 22 years 5 months 14 days.

For nearly two years it had been on the decline although at short intervals it seemed to revive for a short time but would soon sink back and every time a little worse than before. Finally Dr. C. P. Lamar who has been the attending physician for nearly two years, thought it advisable to change the medicine once every week in hopes that this would strengthen it, but this proved to be a disastrous failure and for five months it lingered between life and death and finally expired.

Then farewell to you General Debate your lot is no more than the common fate, which is met by all in every clime, saving none, no not one, excepting time.

Thou who hast all the troubles borne
Through all the long and stormy past,
For thee we are compelled to mourn
Because you have left us at last.

To the senior class of '96 and '97:

We send a copy of this issue of The College Current to each of the class of '96 and '97 and we want each and every one of you to send to me your address and what other matter you wish to have published about yourself or of your success since leaving here and we will be glad to publish it in the next issue if we get it in time, but if it does not get here in time we will hold all until the next issue.

If you will aid me in getting news from the boys that have been here in the past and aid the editor by giving him your subscription we will try and devote one page each issue to the law department.

Let us hear from you at once in regard to what you are doing so we may be able to publish this in the next issue.

P. W. MITCHELL.

H. R. Brown, E. E. Place and D. H. McGilvray have been appointed judges of the junior moot court.

George Rieland has been spending a few days at home with his folks at Hammond.

CURRENT EVENTS.

Wm. E. Gladstone, England's grand old man is in very precarious health. A cancerous growth in his nose is pronounced very bad and liable at any time to cause his death.

M. Zola the eminent French author, has been on trial at Paris for charges he made against men high in the French Army and Government in connection with the case of Captain Dryfus, now serving a sentence of perpetual banishment on an island off the coast of South America. Zola charged that a conspiracy was formed against Dryfus to convict him on charges of selling French Army secrets to Germany. He asserted that Dryfus is innocent of the crimes charged, but is banished to screen corruptions in the army and high government circles. The same unfair methods seem to prevail in this trial that characterized that of Capt. Dryfus and there is no doubt that Zola is a criminal. His sentence is one years imprisonment.

Feb. 15th at 9:40 p. m. the United States battle ship Maine commanded by Captain Sigsbee, was blown up and sunk as she lay at anchor in the harbor of Havana. The loss of life among the crew was awful. Nearly 260 private seamen and 2 of the officers being killed, while but 75 or 80 were saved. About 100 bodies still remain in the wreck. The explosion is a mystery at present, but divers are now at work on the wreck and the investigations are being pushed to locate the cause. In the meantime every opinion is rife and the "Jingo" element in congress is fairly making the sky livid with war talk. They fasten the blame on Spain and demand war to chastise that nation. They would have the principle of Lynch law applied to nations. The President and his cabinet appear to want to get at the exact facts and if clearly proven that Spain was in any way connected with the affair to chastise them.

Leonard B. Johnson, who owned the Island by that name near Sandusky, Ohio, which was used by the United States government during the civil war as a prison of detention for Southern Soldiers, died at his home in that city recently. Many brave soldiers of the south slept their last sleep on this island and each year sees their graves decorated by the inmates of the Soldiers' Home which is located near there.

President Dole of the Hawaiian Republic, who has been visiting our Public men at Washington, started to return to his home last week. At Riverside California he was prostrated with a fever and compelled to leave the train. At this writing he has not recovered enough to proceed on his journey.

LOCALS.

Now is the time to have your photos made. See Hinea the down town artist.

A lot of new and second-hand law books just received at room 3, Monadnock building.

C. T. Allen is the only graduate optician in the city. Call and consult him if your eyes bother you in any way.

WANTED: A few energetic men to introduce an educational novelty. No books. High-class work. Call at 87 College Avenue for particulars.

Musical instruments for sale or rent. Prices moderate. J. M. Salisbury, teacher of guitar and mandolin, corner College and Union.

Positively your last chance. See Lowenstine's announcement on last page.

I charge you 50c for main spring and 50c for cleaning your watch. Honest jewelers charge you \$1.00 for the same. I give you a written guarantee with every watch for one year. C. T. Allen, jeweler and optician.

Ladies! If you wish to have your sewing done promptly and "up-to-date," call on Mrs. G. Marcy, No. 7 Union street. Prices moderate.

Remember and have your watches cleaned for 50c and main spring 50c. Written guarantee for one year with each watch at C. T. Allen's, jeweler and optician, 6 S. Wash. street.

According to Prof. Faust's statement in the February issue of the Western Penman, it would cost you \$5 for materials to take his course in Automatic Penmanship now running in that paper. You would get no personal instruction nor copies direct from his pen. I will give you four pens, four bottles of inks, copies direct from my pen and individual instruction until June 1st for only \$2. Come to the Book-keeping room Saturday afternoon at one o'clock.

E. E. N. LEE.

Any one desiring to enter the race for the piano can do so upon making the necessary arrangements. If anyone has a friend they would like to see win give her your support. Such a prize worth winning. Some one will get it. It is necessary that you start early. For particulars, see the Editor of the College Avenue, from 5 to 10 p. m.